GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
A B S T R A C T

Consumer Affairs Food & Civil Supplies Department - Supplying of (3) free LPG cylinders per year to the eligible beneficiaries - Orders - Issued.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & CIVIL SUPPLIES (CS-I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 12

Dated 25.10.2024
Read the following:-

1. Minutes of the meeting held on 02.08.24, 04.10.2024 and 21.10.2024 by the Hon'ble Chief Minister.
2. From the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, A.P., Vijayawada, E-file No. File No.FCS02-E/37/2024-PP, Computer No. 2593498, dated 22.10.2024.

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O R D E R :-

In the reference 2nd read above, the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, A.P., Vijayawada has informed that in the Ummadi Manifesto, it was announced that all the eligible families would be provided (3) free LPG cylinders per year. Accordingly, he has submitted a proposal to the Government for approval.

2. Based on the methodology to be followed for finalization of data verification and the Eligibility Criteria proposed by the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, the beneficiary should have all the following to become eligible under the scheme:

i. Active LPG connection in the State
ii. Aadhaar number
iii. Rice card
iv. Validation of LPG connection, Rice card and Aadhaar matched data with other Department database.

3. In order to implement the said Scheme, the action points are to taken as follows:

i. The Free LPG Cylinder Scheme shall be launched on 31st October, 2024.
ii. All the eligible beneficiaries as identified by the Civil Supplies Department shall be given (3) free gas cylinders per year in a transparent manner.
iii. The method of transfer of State Government subsidy shall be done as per the present payment mechanism of Government of India subsidy and as it is being done in other (5) States i.e. after payment of entire cost of gas cylinder by the beneficiary which will be transferred as state subsidy apart from GoI subsidy amount to the beneficiary's Aadhaar linked bank account through DBTL.

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iv. OMC shall take necessary action to transfer the state subsidy amount to the beneficiary within 24 hours from the day of delivery of cylinder as far as possible from the present timeline of T+2 days.

v. For the First cylinder, the beneficiaries shall start booking from 31.10.2024 and avail the first free LPG cylinder under State subsidy upto March,2025 i.e. in 5 months' time.

vi. For the subsequent years, (3) LPG cylinders will be supplied once in 4 months i.e. Block period: April - July, August - November, December - March @ one cylinder per block period.

vii. Pool Account shall be opened with the OMCs by Finance/Civil Supplies Department

viii. Finance Department shall transfer the required funds as proposed by the Civil Supplies Department for implementation of the Free LPG Cylinder Scheme from 31.10.2024

4. Government after careful examination hereby approve the proposal of the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada as follows;

i. To approve the methodology of data verification and selection of eligible beneficiaries as proposed by Civil Supplies Department and concurred by Finance Department.

ii. For sanction of approximate budget of Rs.894.92 Crore for implementation of Free LPG Cylinder Scheme from the day of Deepavali i.e. 31.10.2024 and Rs. 2,684.75 Crore for supply of (3) LPG cylinders in a year.

iii. For opening up of Pool Account with Oil Marketing Companies by Finance / Civil Supplies Department

iv. To follow the present subsidy payment mechanism of Government of India and other 5 State Governments i.e. payment of State subsidy to the beneficiary after delivery of cylinder through PFMS (Public Finance Management System) as DBTL.

5. The Finance Department has created following Head of Account to release budget for implementing the scheme successfully:

Major Head - 3456 - Civil Supplies
Sub Major Head - 00 - Not applicable
Minor Head -103 - Consumer Subsidies
Group Sub Head - 11- State Development Schemes
Sub Head - 10 - Subsidy on Domestic LPG Scheme
Detailed Head - 330 - Subsidies
Sub Detailed Head - 331 - Subsidies to Individual beneficiaries

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6. The Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada shall take necessary action accordingly. He shall issue further detailed Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) and implement the scheme successfully.

7. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide their U.O.No:FIN01-FMU0PC(CSUP)/3/2024-FMU-AC-CS-AH Computer No:2594110 , Dated 22.10.2024.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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EX-OFFICIO SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC).

To
The Commissioner of Civil Supplies, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Vice Chair & Managing Director, A.P.State Civil-
Supplies Corporation Limited, Vijayawada.

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The P.S. to Ex-Officio Secretary to Government, CA,F&CS Department.
The Finance Department, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
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